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What is Navratna and why was it composed?

Shree Mahaprabhuji composed Navratna for Vaishnav Govind Dubey Ji. Gobind Dubey Ji had a lot of worries and mental aggravations and therefore he was not able to concentrate and achieve manasi seva. He wrote to Shri Vallabh looking for help. Shree Mahaprabhuji replied to Govind Dubey Ji in the form of Navratna granth in which lies the nine gems of Pushtimarg.



चिन्ताकापि न कार्या निवेदितात्मिभः कदापीति। भगवानिप पुष्टिस्थो न करिष्यित लौकिकीं च गतिम ॥१॥

Chinta kapi na karya, niveditamabhihi kadapiti. Bhagavanapi pushtistho, na karishyati loukikincha gatim.

One who has surrendered to Krishna should never worry about anything in life. By Krishna's very nature he will not confine you to the mortal earthly fate.



निवेदनण तु स्मर्तव्यं सर्वथा ताहशैर्जनैः। सर्वेश्चश्चं सर्वात्मा निजेच्छातः करिष्यति ॥२॥

Nivadana tu smartayam, sarvatha tadrashairganaihi. Sarveswarashcha sarvatama, nijachataha karishyati.

Remembering the words and meaning of the Brahma Sambandha (mantra that dedicated {nivedanam} you to Krishna) in the company of godly devotees, know that Krishna is omnipotent and omnipresent. Krishna is independent of all universal laws and will hence do as he pleases.



सर्वेषां प्रभु संबंधो न प्रत्येकमिति स्थितिः । अतोऽय विनियोगेऽपि चिन्ता का स्वस्य सोऽपिचेत ॥३॥

Sarvesham prabhusambandho, na pratyakamiti sthitihi. Atonya viniyogapi, chinta ka svasya sopichet.

Everyone is related to Krishna, including your friends and relatives. Don't worry if anyone is not as devoted to Krishna as you would expect them to be. Through your surrender to Krishna and his absolute will, they too will turn to Krishna, so don't worry about others' spiritual fate.

अज्ञानादथवा ज्ञानात कृतमात्म निवेदनम । यैः कृष्णसात्कृतप्राणैस्तेषां का परिदेवना ॥४॥

Agyanaathava gyanaate, krutematema nivedanam. Yaihi Krshnasatkrutpranai, stesham ka paridevana.

Ones who has knowingly or unknowingly offered themselves to Krishna, and those who have united their soul with the Krshna, must not ever worry.



तथा निवेदने चिन्ता त्याज्या श्री पुरुषोत्तमे । विनियोगेsपि सा त्याज्या समर्थो हि हरिः स्वतः ॥५॥

Tatha nivedana chinta, tyaagya shripurushottamaa. Viniyogapi sa tyagya, samartho hi harihi svataha.

Also, do not worry about Krishna's acceptance of your dedication to him. Eternally gracious, the omnipresent Krishna will be your saviour, even if your submission to Krishna imperfect.



लोके स्वास्थ्यं तथा वेदे हरिस्तु न करिष्यति । पुष्टिमार्गस्थितो यस्मात साक्षिणो भवता खिलाः ॥६॥

Loke svasthayam tatha vede, haristu na karishyati. Pushtimargasthito yasmate, sakshinao bhavatakhilaha.

Krishna will not ease your earthly or terrestrial matters. However, Krishna will ease your journey on the spiritual path. Simply, be a spectator of all that occurs around you and abandon your fate to the will of Krishna.



सेवाकृतिर्गुरोराज्ञाऽबाधनं वा हरोच्छया । अतः सेवा परं चित्तं विधाय स्थीयतां सुखम ॥७॥

Sevakrutirgururagnya, badhanam va harichhaya. Attaha seva param chittam, vidhaya sthiyatam sukham.

Serve Krishna as directed by your Guru. However, if through divine inspiration you feel that Krishna's will is different from the directions of your Guru, you should act according to Krishna's wish. Once directed by Krishna, do not worry about the Guru's directions. It is best to engross your mind in Krishna's worship and live very cheerfully.

चित्तोद्वेगं विधायापि हरिर्यद्यत करिष्यति । तथैव तस्य लीलेति मत्वा चिन्तां द्रुतं त्यजेत ॥८॥

Chittodvagam vidhayapi, hariryadhyat karishyati. Tathaiva tasya lileti, matva chintam dhrutam tyajete.

Even when your mind feels distressed, feel assured that this is Krishna's will and is for your ultimate benefit. Hence, you should rid yourself of all worries.



तस्मात्सर्वातमना नित्यं श्री कृष्णः शरणं मम । वदद्भिरेव सततं स्थेयमित्येव मे मति ॥९॥

Tasmaate sarvatemana nityam, Shri Krshnaha Sharanam maamaa.

Vadaadbhirevam satatam, sthayamityava mae matihi.

If, after all these assurances, you feel worried, recite (at all times) with devotion "Shri Krshnaha Sharanam maamaa". In my (ie, Shrimad Vallabhacharyaji's) opinion, this is the only way of getting rid of all your worries.

॥इति श्री वल्लभाचार्य विरचितं नवरत्न समाप्तं॥